

**III. REMARKS**

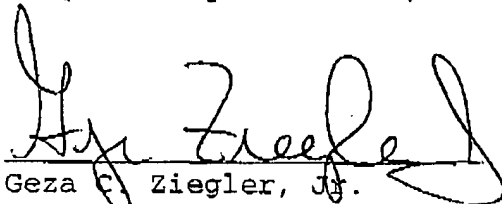
The previous response introduced additional claims increasing the total number of claims from 51 claims to 59 claims. By this amendment, the additional claims 52-59 are canceled to return the total number of claims back to 51 claims. Applicant reserves the right to file a continuation/divisional application for the canceled claims 52-59.

It is believed that the claims 1-51 are allowable. Accordingly, a favorable action indicating such allowance is requested respectfully.

Should any unresolved issues remain, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment for any fees associated with this communication or credit any over payment to Deposit Account No. 16-1350.

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